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SUBJ: STATE LORENZ ET AL; NEW ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN U.S. COMPUTER
EQUIPMENT

REF: LACEY/ALLEN TELECON, 9/17/73; STUTTGART'S T-605,
7/26/73 (NOTAL), BERN'S T-410 (NOTAL)

1. MATHIAS WURZINGER, SUBJECT REFERENCED TELECON, ENTERED
U.S. 3/2/74, VISITED BROTHER, JOHN WURZINGER,
4300 MARTHA AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY. FOLLOWING NOTIFICATION
WURZINGER'S ENTRY BY IMMIGRATION & NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
VISITED JOHN WURZINGER AND LEARNED MATHIAS RETURNED WEST
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GERMANY 3/6/74. ACCORDING TO BROTHER, WURZINGER IS

EMPLOYEE OF PETER LORENZ BUT INTENDS LEAVING LORENZ TO SET UP OWN COMPANY WITH OFFICES IN STUTTGART AND LOS ANGELES (TO BE CALLED G&W CONSULTING CO.). PARTNER IN VENTURE WILL BE ANOTHER LORENZ EMPLOYEE, HEINZ GROGER, TECHNICIAN WHO INSTALLED IBM 360/40 IN MOSCOW ON LORENZ' ORDERS.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON WURZINGER AND GROGER:

MATHIAS CRAILSHEIM WURZINGER, BORN 4/5/40, NATIONALITY DUTCH, FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY IBM GERMANY.

HEINZ GROGER, CUSTOMER ENGINEERING MANAGER, LORENZ EDV (STUTTGART), ADDRESS: 7031 ALTDORF NEAR BOEBLINGEN (NO STREET ADDRESS), FORMERLY EMPLOYED AT IBM MAINZ.

2. WHILE IN NEW YORK WURZINGER VISITED OFFICES OF ITEL (A U.S. COMPUTER SALES & MARKETING FIRM) WITH SHOPPING LIST WHICH INCLUDED:

A. ITEL'S EQUIVALENT OF IBM 3345 EXPANSION MEMORY FOR 370/145 COMPUTER. (TELEX-PRODUCED EQUIVALENT OF THIS IBM MEMORY WAS ITEM SEIZED BY CIU/ST AGENTS MARKED FOR SHIPMENT TO ELEKTRONORGTECHNIKA UNDER LORENZ/SOVIET CONTRACT NUMBER - SEE STUTTGART'S REFTEL).

B. TWO CHANNEL SWITCH FOR 7830 DISC DRIVE. (WURZINGER, ACCORDING TO ITEL, WANTED THIS ITEM VERY BADLY - IT MAY BE NEEDED TO REPAIR LORENZ EQUIPMENT IN USSR). WURZINGER TOLD ITEL HE WAS REPRESENTATIVE OF "COMPUTER & CONSULTANTS", 703 BOEBLINGEN - ALTDORF, AND THAT HIS CUSTOMER WAS CONTINENTAL BANK, ZURICH, SWITZERLAND. HE WOULD TAKE CARE OF EXPORT ARRANGEMENTS AND NEEDED NO MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT SINCE CIG SWITZERLAND WOULD HANDLE ALL MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS. PAYMENT WOULD BE EFFECTED THROUGH FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK, NEW YORK. ITEL BALKED AT ACCEPTING ORDER AT THAT TIME DUE TO WURZINGER'S INSISTENCE ON DELIVERY OF MEMORY UNIT IN STATE WITH NO SALES TAX. WURZINGER TOLD ITEL HE EXPECTED TO RETURN U.S. WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS.

3. IN VIEW OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THIS PROPOSED TRANSACTION, AND FACT THAT LORENZ HAS NOT YET SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING IBM 3345 OR SUBSTITUTE TO FULFILL CONTRACT OF 4/21/72 WITH SOVIETS, OEA/CD HAS LITTLE DOUBT WURZINGER SEEKING ITEM FOR USE WITH LORENZ IBM 370/145 DELIVERED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SOVIETS 12/23/72. ACTUAL ATTEMPT BY WURZINGER TO ILLEGALLY EXPORT THIS ITEM NOW UNCERTAIN, HOWEVER, DUE TO BROTHER JOHN WURZINGER'S KNOWLEDGE OEA/CD'S INTEREST. WURZINGER MAY STILL SEND PARTNER GROGER TO ACCOMPLISH TRANSACTION.

4. REQUEST CONGEN STUTTGART ASK ASSISTANCE OF CIU/ST IN OBTAINING DPOB, DESCRIPTION AND ANY OTHER AVAILABLE

INFORMATION ON GROGER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. INFORMATION WILL
BE USED TO PLACE GROGER ON INS WATCHLIST SO ENTRY INTO U.S.
CAN BE MONITORED.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY BERN APPRISE SWISS AUTHORITIES OF
ABOVE INFORMATION AND ASK THEIR ASSISTANCE IN VERIFYING
WHETHER CONTINENTAL BANK IS ACTUALLY SEEKING PURCHASE
THIS TYPE MEMORY UNIT. ALTHOUGH NO U.S. EXPORT LICENSE APPLIED
FOR OR SWISS BLUE ISSUED AS YET, OEA/CD FEELS THIS MAY BE
SAME TYPE OF "BANK" TRANSACTION AS REPORTED EMBASSY'S
REFTEL. SWISS AUTHORITIES MAY THEREFORE HAVE INVESTIGATIVE
INTEREST. KISSINGER

NOTE BY OC/T: POUCHED DUSSELDORF, FRANKFURT AND ZURICH.

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